GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Planning Department – Aspirational Blocks (Mandals) Programme – Gangavaram (Mandal) of Alluri Sitharama Raju District selected as pilot block for Water Budgeting Exercise – Nomination of State and District Nodal Officers – Orders –Issued.

PLANNING (V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 109 **Dated: 13-11-2024**

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D.O.No.11(1)/24/2024-WR, Dt:18.10.2024 from the Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog, New Delhi.

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ORDER:

NITI Aayog had under taken the comprehensive **water budgeting exercise** for 25 identified aspirational blocks on a pilot basis. **Gangavaram Mandal, ABP block of Alluri Sitarama Raju District** has been selected from Andhra Pradesh State.

2. Water budgeting exercise is aimed to ascertain water availability in the block (Mandal) for various uses, viz, drinking, agriculture, cattle requirements, industry, commercial, etc. NITI has partnered with **GIZ GmbH, Germany**, India office for this exercise. It would specifically help to understand the vulnerability to drinking water security and undertake remedial measures so that functionality of tap connections provided to rural households under the Jal Jeevan Mission and urban households under AMRUT can be ensured round the year. The pilot exercise is planned to be completed by 31.12.2024.

3. Government after careful examination, hereby nominate Principal Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development as **State Nodal Officer** and District Collector, Alluri Sitharama Raju District as **District Nodal Officer** for successful implementation of the pilot water budgeting exercise programme in Gangavaram, Aspirational Block (Mandal) of Alluri Sitarama Raju District.

4. The State Nodal Officer will coordinate with the District Nodal Officer for taking up of activities as desired by NITI Aayog from time to time. The following key-asks need to be shared to NITI Aayog:

i) Sharing of data to NITI/GIZ relating to:

a) Water being brought from outside the block (Mandal) (external water sources) for drinking and other domestic purposes including commercial supply in the block

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b) Water being brought from outside the block (Mandal) for irrigation purposes.
c) Industrial water requirements within the block (Mandal)
d) Requirements for power sector (if any)
e) Other specific requirements (if any)

ii) Facilitation for conduct of orientation workshops by GIZ for key stakeholders at block/district level inter alia:

a) Block / District level officers including Nodal Officers.
b) Engineers from Rural and Urban Drinking Water Supply Departments / Agencies.
c) Engineers from Water resources / Irrigation Department
d) Agriculture / Animal Husbandry Officers at district level.
e) Industry sector officers
f) Power sector officers
g) Other stakeholders which the district considers to include.

iii) Uploading of data by stakeholders as per the requirement.

5. The State Nodal Officer will act as bridge between the Centre and District and use his experience to make a major improvement in water security in the Block (Mandal) so that water availability does not become an impediment to holistic socio-economic development.

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(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The District Economics & Statistics Officer of Alluri Sitarama Raju.
The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Water Resources Department.
The Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog.
PS to Chief Secretary.
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